

Tartars Cannot Handle Morningside



READY FOR BASEBALL... Jack O'Brien (left), president of the Pacific Coast Little League, was on hand to greet Steve Harris and Mike Kimbell last Saturday when they signed up for the first year of Senior Division. The program, for 13-15-year-old boys, has been adopted by the Little League. (Press-Herald Photo)

FOR OLDER BOYS

Senior Division Started By Pacific Coast League

Little League Senior Division has been instituted by Pacific Coast Little League of Torrance. Senior Division is an extension of the regular Little League program. It provides regulation type baseball for 13, 14 and 15-year-old boys on a diamond with 90-foot base paths.

The Senior Division program was instigated when the Pacific-Riviera Pony League abandoned its baseball activities at the conclusion of the 1966 season.

Jack O'Brien, president of the league, said a series of player registrations was started last Saturday and a very satisfactory turnout of 25 boys responded. Present plans for the first year of Senior Division call for the handling of four teams made up of 52 players.

Players must reside within the boundaries of Pacific Coast Little League boundaries are the Torrance city limits on the south; Lomita city limits on the east; Nancy Lee-Recardo-El Sereno on the west; and Lomita Blvd on the north.

The existing playing field adjacent to the airport at the end of the 247th St. will be completely renovated and a chain link fence will be installed, according to league officials.

Registration will continue the next two Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at WALTERIA Park. A parent must accompany each boy for signups and provide a verification of birth date. A donation from each family is solicited to help defray costs of the program.

Youth Soccer Has New Home

By HENRY BURKE
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More and more we come into contact with the sport of soccer. The old Wrigley Field baseball park in Los Angeles has been transformed into a conventional soccer stadium and the Los Angeles Coliseum has become a show place for world competition. The old Wrigley Field baseball park in Los Angeles has been transformed into a conventional soccer stadium and the Los Angeles Coliseum has become a show place for world competition. The game there Jan. 29 between the Santos team of Brazil and River Plate of Argentina is billed as the "Dream Game of 1967."

Sharing in the progress of soccer in this country is the American Youth Soccer Organization which has a strong subordinate group in Torrance. For several years the Torrance Soccer League set up camp each Saturday at Jefferson School, but a longtime dream of the organization comes true next Saturday with the opening of a new Torrance Soccer Stadium at 733 West Torrance Blvd. The site is between Normandie and the Harbor Freeway.

Hans Stierle and Bill Wolstencroft of the AYSO have arranged four games from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. A picnic lunch, together with snack bar refreshments, will mark the occasion. There is no admission. The program is financed along the guidelines of Little League.

The new stadium is equipped with dressing rooms and showers. In commenting on the facility, Wolstencroft pointed out, "The stadium has an ideal location and will help further the development of soccer. Our teams have been getting bigger and better and we have provided for still greater progress."

Wolstencroft is South Area commissioner for the American Youth Soccer Organization. Its president is Hans Stierle, a staff member of the Toros of the National Professional Soccer League. The AYSO has teams in San Gabriel Valley, Orange County and San Fernando Valley.

The eight teams in Torrance are divided into two divisions. The Second Division with first half records is made up of the Hornets (4-0-2), Mustangs (3-2-2), Comets (2-2-3) and the Cougars (0-5-1). The First Division has the Panthers (5-0-1), Blue Jets (2-3-1), Firefighters (1-3-1), and Bulldogs (1-3-1).

One of the goals of the organization is to develop soccer talent that will put the U.S. in competition with other countries of the world.

Youngsters, anxious to enjoy a constantly moving game and willing to learn the rules, could easily accept soccer as their favorite sport.

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Mike Loses To Marsee

South High's runner Jeff Marsee had to go to San Francisco to finally score a victory over West's Mike Sellers.

Marsee and Sellers, competing in the National High School Two-Mile Championships at the Cow Palace finished in fifth and six places last Saturday.

Marsee ran the two-mile indoor distance in 9:11, his best time of the year. Sellers was timed at 9:13.9.

Martin Lequori of Essex Catholic High School in Newark, N. J., was crowned the

national champion for his 9:06 clocking.

Only one other Californian—Pete Romero of Reedley—finished ahead of the Torrance duo. Romero, timed at 9:05 in last year's state meet, battled Lequori for the title and was clocked at 9:06.2 for second place.

Third and fourth place went to Jerry Richey of Pittsburgh, Pa., and Doug Smith of Sioux City, Iowa. Both had 9:09.3 times.

South High coach Dick Scully, who made the trip to the Bay City, said Marsee made the best race of his career in racing to the 9:11 timing.

Sellers and Marsee had met twice before this season. Sellers, undefeated in his races throughout the fall, bested Marsee at Inglewood and the two ran to a dead-heat finish in Long Beach.

Both will run in the Los Angeles Times Track Meet Feb. 11 at the Los Angeles Memorial Sports Arena.

Saxons Tested

North and South High launch their Bay League basketball seasons today against Hawthorne and Redondo.

North's Saxons travel to Hawthorne today and plays its second league game Friday at Mira Costa. The South Spartans meets Redondo at Mira Costa and has a non-league game Friday at home against Paramount.

The North-Mira Costa game was originally a home game for North, but installation of new bleachers at the North gym has been delayed.

Coach Skip Enger said, however, home games commencing with Inglewood next Wednesday will be played at home "even with standing room only."

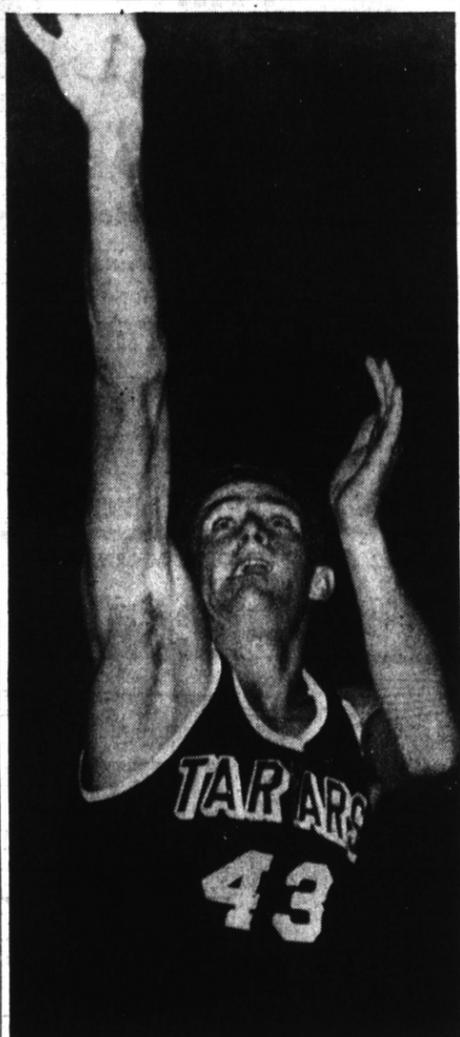
Other league openers are Mira Costa at Inglewood today and Redondo at Inglewood Friday.

Redondo, playing without a gym, jumped the gun last Friday by defeating Hawthorne, 73-59, at Mira Costa in a game originally set for next Wednesday.

West Tripped By Wilson

West High, which meets Lennox in a Pioneer League basketball game at home Friday night, lost a non-league tussle to Long Beach Woodrow Wilson, 98-86, yesterday in the loser's gym.

Wilson (98) Sacehorn (7) Knox (28) Heckman (23) Grich (14) Harris (12) West 21 22 22 21-86 Wilson 14 23 35 26-98 Scoring subs: West—Marks (10), Sauro (7), Bell (6); Wilson—Connelly (2), Forman (2).



SCORING A PAIR... Rich Kreul of Torrance High leaps at the basketball for two of the 25 points he got against Morningside yesterday. The Tartars, however, went down to defeat by a 79-77 score in the battle for first place in the Sky League. (Press-Herald Photo)

Montgomery High Wins League Opener by 64-33

Forwards Jon Yarmolovich and Rick Sabosky scored 25 and 14 points to lead Bishop Montgomery to a 64-33 Camino Real League basketball win over Murphy last night. That was the first league game of the season.

The Knights, playing before a home crowd of 400, outscored the Nobles by 17 points in the final period to

coast to victory. Murphy led after the first quarter by a 14-13 score.

Montgomery travels to Crespi for a second league game Friday night.

Montgomery (64) Sabosky (14) Yarmolovich (25) Garbani (2) Sclarra (7) Ibrahim (6) Montgomery 13 16 13 22-64 Murphy (33) Reed (8) Moss (2) Campanile (11) Brandlin (6) Sherrod (6) Montgomery 14 6 5 6-33 Scoring subs: Montgomery—VanHoven (4), Wurm (2), Jamison (2), White (2); Murphy—Beeswell (1).

Varsity Loses By Two

By HENRY BURKE
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Morningside struck down the Torrance Tartars for the third time yesterday and emerged as the favorite in the Sky League basketball race.

Coach Will Boerger's Tartars were down by 13 points in the game, but rallied in the third and fourth quarters to finish within two points of the potent Monarchs, 79-77.

The game was played in the Torrance gym. The rematch will be Friday, Feb. 10 at Morningside.

The loss was the first in three years of league competition for Torrance. Morningside beat the Tartars in the Pacific Shores Tournament, 80-77, and the Beverly Hills Tournament, 77-72, in December.

Missing from the Torrance lineup yesterday was Robin Fisher, the two-year letterman guard. Coach Boerger said Robin missed practice Monday and missed school on Tuesday.

Boerger, however, filled the gap in his lineup by bringing in Alan Brown (2 points), a 5'9" guard, and Bob Fernley (6 points), 5'10" sophomore. They joined Bart Johnson (26 points), Rich Kreul (25 points) and Steve Jasper (18 points) in a scoring showdown against Nat Baumer (25 points), Stan Love (20), Dave Penso (11), Jim Bouton (11), Bill Templeman (8) and Kurt Stenderup (4).

In the first half the Tartars concentrated on defending against Stan Love, but the Monarchs struck from the outside. Morningside, meanwhile, defended against Bart Johnson in the first half by treating him as a coat rack. Following his 8-point first half, Johnson got 18 in the second half. Four Morningside players had four fouls before the third period let out, forcing the invaders to give the Tartars more opportunities.

Torrance came within one point of tying the game three times in the fourth quarter.

The Tartars missed several chances to go ahead in the final few minutes on poor shots. Morningside jumped ahead by six points with 1:01 remaining. Torrance's final bucket came with four seconds to go on a five-footer by Kreul.

Morningside (79) Baumer (25) Stenderup (4) Love (20) Penso (11) Templeman (8) Morningside 20 23 15 21-79 Torrance (77) Johnson (26) Kreul (25) Jasper (18) Brown (2) Fernley (6) Templeman (8) Morningside 13 20 21 24-77 Scoring subs: Morningside—Bouton (11)

Jayvee Team Loses First League Game

A fourth-quarter rally fell one point short Friday as West High's jayvee basketball team dropped its first Pioneer League game to Lawndale, 69-68.

The Warriors trailed by six as the final period began, but pulled to within a point in the final minute. A pair of fouls sent Lawndale to the free-throw line twice to preserve the Cardinal lead.

Dan Guest hit for 18 to lead all scorers. Lawndale's Gary Granville had 17.

West High (68) Schaefer (9) Heinzer (9) Whitney (4) Hogue (14) Guest (18) West High 13 15 14 22-68 Lawndale (69) Carries (15) McRea (8) Abalos (8) Granville (17) Pargson (16) West High 13 17 18 21-69 Scoring Subs: West—Coscia (2), DePual (8), Virgil (2), Wilson (2); Lawndale—Sideman (4).

TRAVEL SHOW

Campers and trailers of many shapes and sizes will dominate a huge display area of the 8th annual Sports, Vacation and Travel Show Jan. 13-22 at the Great Western Exhibit Center off the Santa Ana Freeway.



TOYING AROUND! Action at the 1966 Motor Trend Riverside 500 will be repeated a week from Sunday with \$80,000 at stake in the 5th annual race. A composite of last year's race shows Bruce Worrell, Car 3, spinning in the path of Dick Bruststrand, Car 00; Bobby Allison sliding in Car 24; Fred Lorenzen plowing up the esses in Bobby Isaacs' Car 26, Curtis Turner, getting back on the asphalt after losing the lead to Dan Gurney; Marvin Panch, Car 21, with a flat tire, moving over to let Johnny Steele, Car 2, go by, and Clyde Prickett, Car 34 sideways in turn 4.

Dan Gurney Seeks 5th Win in Riverside 500

Dan Gurney made it official he will switch from Ford to Mercury for an unprecedented fifth consecutive victory in the \$85,000 Motor Trend-Riverside 500 at Riverside International Raceway Jan. 22.

The four-time winner's official entry was filed by Bud Moore, who is preparing the 1967 Comet Cyclone Gurney will drive in the 185-lap Classic.

Gurney himself is enroute to Riverside from Europe where he has been making

plans for the 1967 Grand Prix season. He is due to arrive in Riverside later this week to begin shaking down his Comet Cyclone which arrived at the track Monday.

While Dan has all four previous 500-milers at Riverside's challenging 2.7-mile road course, this will be his first year here without the famed Wood Brothers who groomed his winning Fords since 1963. The Wood Car, a 1967 Ford Fairlane, will be driven this year by Cale Yarborough, fast-rising star from Timmonsville, S. C., who is ex-

pected to be one of Gurney's strongest competitors in his bid for victory number five.

The Cyclone which Gurney will drive is one of two Comets entered and prepared by Moore. While no driver has been officially named for the second, speculation is that it will be assigned to Parnelli Jones, 1963 Indianapolis winner and the man who gave Gurney his greatest challenge in two of the past four races at Riverside. Pairing the two would give Mercury an extremely potent one-two punch against a vast array of for-

midable Ford, Dodge, Plymouth and Chevrolet competitors.

To date, Gurney has won more than \$65,000 in prize money through his four victories in the 500, and if he is successful in running his streak to five he will increase that total by some \$20,000.

The Raceway will open officially for practice next Tuesday when more than 60 drivers will begin tune-ups in preparation for qualifying to determine the 44 starting positions in the 5th annual 500.